

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF IOWA

IN THE MATTER OF THE STATEMENT OF CHARGES AGAINST

JAMES R. GORDON, M.D., RESPONDENT

No. 02-99-533

ORDER DISMISSING STATEMENT OF CHARGES

COMES NOW the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners (the Board), on December 20, 2000, and files this Order Dismissing the Statement of Charges against James R. Gordon, M.D., (Respondent).

1. Respondent was issued license number 31580 to practice medicine and surgery in Iowa on November 13, 1996. Respondent's Iowa medical license is valid and will next expire on November 1, 2001.

2. The Board filed a Statement of Charges against Respondent's Iowa medical license on July 27, 2000. Said charges are currently awaiting hearing.

3. On December 11, 2000, the Board received a copy of a death certificate indicating Respondent passed away on October 10, 2000.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, based on the afore mentioned information, the charges pending in this matter are **DISMISSED**.

This order dated December 18, 2000.

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STATEMENT OF CHARGES

COMES NOW the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners (the Board), on July 27, 2000, and files this Statement of Charges against James R. Gordon, M.D., (Respondent), a physician licensed pursuant to Chapter 147 of the 1999 Code of Iowa and alleges:

1. Respondent was issued license number 22966 to practice medicine and surgery in Iowa on July 1, 1982. Respondent's Iowa medical license is valid and will next expire on November 1, 2001.

2. The Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Iowa Code Chapters 147, 148 and 272C.

COUNT I

3. Respondent is charged under Iowa Code section 148.6(2)(h) (1999) and 653 Iowa Administrative Code section 12.4(4) and 12.4(14) with the inability to practice medicine and surgery with reasonable skill and safety due to the excessive use of alcohol.

CIRCUMSTANCES

4. The Board received information indicating that Respondent was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol on August 24, 1998. Respondent had a very elevated blood alcohol level.

5. Respondent admitted drinking alcohol while on call.

6. On December 16, 1999, the Board, based on the information including that outlined above, ordered Respondent to undergo a comprehensive physical, neuropsychiatric and substance abuse evaluation at a Board approved substance abuse treatment program.

7. Respondent submitted to, but has failed to complete, the Board-ordered substance abuse evaluation.

8. The Board received information indicating Respondent suffers from alcohol dependence.

On this the 27th day of July, 2000, the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners finds cause to file this Statement of Charges.

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